

REMARKS

In a telephonic interview on May 16, 2007 between Examiner Arron J. Sanders and Applicant's Representative Jack P. Friedman, it was agreed that the limitations of claims of claims 2, 3, and 8, as well as other subject matter in the specification, would be incorporated into independent claim 1, and that independent claims 11 and 21 would be similarly amended.

Accordingly, Applicants have amended claim 1 herein such that the limitations of claims 2, 3, and 8, as well as subject matter described in the specification, page 16, line 18 - page 17, line 8, been incorporated into claim 1, and claims 11 and 21 have been similarly amended.

Applicants have amended claims 1, 11, and 22, and have canceled claims 2-3, 8, 12-13, 18, 22-23, and 28 herein. Applicants are not conceding that those claims are not patentable over the art cited by the Examiner, as the present claim amendments are only for facilitating expeditious prosecution of the patent application. Applicants respectfully reserve the right to pursue these and other claims as recited prior to being amended/canceled herein in one or more continuations and/or divisional patent applications.

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 2, 5, 9-11, 12, 15, 19, 20-22, 25, 29 and 30 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by Myers Jr. *et al.*, U.S. Pat. 6,959,268.

The Examiner rejected claims 3, 4, 6-8, 13, 14, 16-18, 23, 24, 26-28 and 31-36 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Myers Jr. *et al.* as applied to claims 1, 2, 5, 9-11, 12, 20-22, 25, 29 and 30 above, in view of the *Microsoft Computer Dictionary Fifth Edition*, Microsoft Press, 2002, hereafter *Microsoft*.

Applicants respectfully traverse the § 102 and § 103 rejections with the following arguments.

35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 2, 5, 9-11, 12, 15, 19, 20-22, 25, 29 and 30 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by Myers Jr. *et al.*, U.S. Pat. 6,959,268.

Since claims 2, 12, and 22 have been canceled, the rejection of claims 2, 12, and 22 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) is moot.

Applicants incorporate herein by reference Applicants' arguments in the office action response filed 04/11/2007 in traversal of the aforementioned rejection of claims 1, 2, 5, 9-11, 12, 15, 19, 20-22, 25, 29 and 30.

In addition, Applicants respectfully contend that Myers Jr. Does not teach or suggest the following combination of features of claims 1, 2, 5, 9-11, 12, 15, 19, 20-22, 25, 29 and 30:

“wherein the second source comprises at least one eXtensible Stylesheet Language (XSL) stylesheet comprising the presentation metadata ...

wherein the method further comprises generating a rules base of rules as templates derived from the presentation metadata in the at least one XSL stylesheet;

wherein prior to the applying step the method further comprises parsing the technical metadata and the business metadata and to form a source tree such that the source tree comprises the parsed business metadata and parsed technical metadata logically linked to each other;

wherein the applying step comprises both applying the templates of the rules base and traversing the source tree to form a result tree that includes the logically linked technical metadata and business metadata integrated with the presentation metadata;

wherein the method further comprises transforming the result tree into the information catalog such that the information catalog comprises files formatted in accordance with the

presentation metadata;

wherein traversing the source tree comprises traversing the entire source tree in accordance with a recursive descent algorithm in which said traversing comprises starting at the root node of the source tree and traversing through the source tree until a leaf node is reached and then returning through the source tree to the root node;

wherein said traversing the source tree comprises ascertaining whether there is a rule in the rules base for each element in the source tree;

wherein each element having exactly one rule in the rules base, as determined from said ascertaining, is written out in accordance with said exactly one rule during said displaying;

wherein each element having no rule in the rules base, as determined from said ascertaining, is written out as text during said displaying; and

wherein for each element having more than one rule in the rules base, as determined from said ascertaining, one or more of said more than one rule is applied to said each element in accordance with a rule hierarchical scheme for determining how said each element is displayed during said displaying.”

Based on the preceding arguments, Applicant respectfully contends that Myers Jr. does not anticipate claims 1, 11, and 21, and that claims 1, 11, and 21 are in condition for allowance. Since claims 5, 9 and 10 depend from claim 1, Applicants contend that claims 5, 9 and 10 are likewise in condition for allowance. Since claims 15, 19 and 20 depend from claim 11, Applicants contend that claims 15, 19 and 20 are likewise in condition for allowance. Since claims 25, 29 and 30 depend from claim 21, Applicants contend that claims 25, 29 and 30 are

likewise in condition for allowance.

35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

The Examiner rejected claims 3, 4, 6-8, 13, 14, 16-18, 23, 24, 26-28 and 31-36 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Myers Jr. *et al.* as applied to claims 1, 2, 5, 9-11, 12, 20-22, 25, 29 and 30 above, in view of the *Microsoft Computer Dictionary Fifth Edition*, Microsoft Press, 2002, hereafter *Microsoft*.

Since claims 3, 8, 13, 18, 23, and 28 have been canceled, the rejection of claims 3, 8, 13, 18, 23, and 28 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) is moot.

2-3, 8, 12-13, 18, 22-23, and 28

Claims 4, 6-7, 14, 16-17, 24, and 26-27

Since claims 4 and 6-7 depend from claim 1, which Applicants have argued *supra* to not be unpatentable over Myers Jr. under 35 U.S.C. §102(b), Applicants maintain that claims 4 and 6-7 are likewise not unpatentable over Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft* under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

Since claims 14 and 16-17 depend from claim 11, which Applicants have argued *supra* to not be unpatentable over Myers Jr. under 35 U.S.C. §102(b), Applicants maintain that claims 14 and 16-17 are likewise not unpatentable over Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft* under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

Since claims 24 and 26-27 depend from claim 21, which Applicants have argued *supra* to not be unpatentable over Myers Jr. under 35 U.S.C. §102(b), Applicants maintain that claims 24, and 26-27 are likewise not unpatentable over Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft* under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

Claims 31-36

Applicants respectfully contend that claim 31 is not unpatentable over Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft* because Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft* does not teach or suggest each and every feature of claim 31.

As a first example of why claim 31 is not unpatentable over Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft*, Myers Jr. Jr. in view of *Microsoft* does not teach or suggest the feature: “said method comprising generating the information catalog by applying presentation metadata to technical metadata and business metadata such that the information catalog comprises the technical metadata and the business metadata in accordance with a presentation format specified by the presentation metadata”.

With respect to the aforementioned feature in the first example, the Examiner relies on Myers.

In response, Applicants rely on Applicants’ arguments presented *supra* with respect to #14 of Table 1 in relation to claims 1, 11, and 21.

As a second example of why claim 31 is not unpatentable over Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft*, Myers Jr. Jr. in view of *Microsoft* does not teach or suggest the feature: “a package list frame, an object list frame driven by the package list frame, and a detail frame driven by the object list frame ... said package list frame comprising means for selecting applications of said computer applications and associated table creators of tables relating to the technical metadata; said object list frame comprising means for selecting tables driven by a computer application and

associated table creator selected from the package list frame; said detail frame comprising means for displaying table information relating to a table selected from the object list frame”.

Although the Examiner cites *Microsoft* for displaying contents of one or more HTML documents in frames, the Examiner has not cited any prior art that allegedly teaches or suggests the specific frames claimed (package list frame, object list frame, detail frame) subjected to the claimed limitations on these specific frames (i.e., “said package list frame comprising means for selecting applications of said computer applications and associated table creators of tables relating to the technical metadata; said object list frame comprising means for selecting tables driven by a computer application and associated table creator selected from the package list frame; said detail frame comprising means for displaying table information relating to a table selected from the object list frame”).

Moreover, the Examiner has not presented any argument in support of the Examiner’s contention that Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft* teaches or suggests the specific frames claimed (package list frame, object list frame, detail frame) subjected to the claimed limitations on these specific frames. Therefore, the Examiner has not presented a *prima facie* case of obviousness in relation to claim 31.

Based on the preceding arguments, Applicant respectfully contends that claim 31 is not unpatentable over Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft*, and that claim 31 is in condition for allowance. Since claims 32-36 depend from claim 31, Applicants contend that claims 32-36 are likewise in condition for allowance.

In addition with respect to claim 32, Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft* does not teach or suggest the feature: “wherein the table information is an overview of the business model”.

The Examiner has not presented any argument in support of the Examiner’s contention that Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft* teaches or suggests the preceding feature of claim 32.

Therefore, the Examiner has not presented a *prima facie* case of obviousness in relation to claim 32.

In addition with respect to claim 33, Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft* does not teach or suggest the feature: “wherein the overview includes processes of the business processes”.

The Examiner has not presented any argument in support of the Examiner’s contention that Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft* teaches or suggests the preceding feature of claim 33.

Therefore, the Examiner has not presented a *prima facie* case of obviousness in relation to claim 33.

In addition with respect to claim 34, Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft* does not teach or suggest the feature: “wherein the overview includes applications of the computer applications”.

The Examiner has not presented any argument in support of the Examiner’s contention that Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft* teaches or suggests the preceding feature of claim 34.

Therefore, the Examiner has not presented a *prima facie* case of obviousness in relation to claim 34.

In addition with respect to claim 35, Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft* does not teach or

suggest the feature: “wherein the package list frame, object list frame, and a detail frame are generated by execution of files of the information catalog”.

The Examiner has not presented any argument in support of the Examiner’s contention that Myers Jr. in view of *Microsoft* teaches or suggests the preceding feature of claim 35.

Therefore, the Examiner has not presented a *prima facie* case of obviousness in relation to claim 35.

CONCLUSION

Based on the preceding arguments, Applicants respectfully believe that all pending claims and the entire application meet the acceptance criteria for allowance and therefore request favorable action. If the Examiner believes that anything further would be helpful to place the application in better condition for allowance, Applicants invites the Examiner to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below. The Director is hereby authorized to charge and/or credit Deposit Account 09-0457.

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